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HAJIZADEH, Kiamars )  
Application No. 09/990,773 ) Group Art Unit: 1645  
Filed: November 14, 2001 ) Examiner: Swartz, Rodney P.  
For: PRION-DETECTION BUSINESS METHODS )

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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- ☒ Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified Application.
- ☒ No additional filing fee is required, as shown below:

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- ☒ Also transmitted is a Petition for Three Month Extension of Time.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$465.00 is enclosed for the Petition fee.

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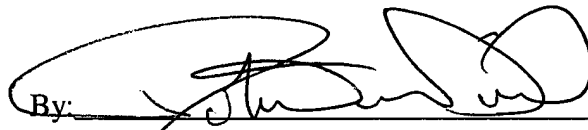
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- ☒ Any additional filing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of extra Claims.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

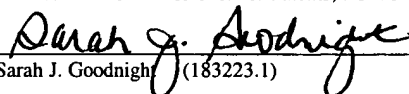
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REPLY TO MARCH 26, 2003 OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 26, 2003. A shortened statutory period of three months has been set for response, making this Reply due on June 26, 2003. Therefore, a "Petition For A Three Month Extension Of Time" is being submitted herewith, making the extended due date for this Reply September 26, 2003. The requisite fee of \$465 is also being submitted by check in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3). Reconsideration of the referenced application, including all pending claims, is respectfully requested in light of the amendments and the remarks set forth below.

This Amendment and Reply is being submitted in a form which complies with revised 37 C.F.R. 1.121. Accordingly, all pending claims are identified by number and appropriate status identifier.